The first request was negatived on financial grounds and the second request is receiving due consideration.

(*e*) The answer is in the affirmative.

Subordinate Educational Service, Collegiate Branch.

339 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that most of the members of the Subordinate Educational Service, Collegiate Branch, had reached the maximum of the grade in about nine years before the reorganization of 1st March 1921 ; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that under the reorganization more than double the number of years has to be spent in the Subordinate Educational Service, Collegiate Branch, to reach the maximum ?

A.—(*a*) No. It took them from ten to twelve years on the average. Please see answer to question No. 830 (1) asked at the meeting of the Council held on 14th October 1921.

(*b*) The time that will be taken under the reorganization is twenty years.

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The Subordinate Educational Service.

340 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether it was ordinarily the practice to fill up vacancies in the Madras Educational Service by promoting officers in the Subordinate Service ?

A.—Yes ; but direct recruitment is also adopted in certain cases.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I ask the hon. the Minister for Education whether he will be good enough to say if there are any principles governing cases where direct recruitment is also adopted ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" It is not necessary to state in detail what it is. But if any specific instance is given with regard to direct recruitment, information will be furnished."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" I do not want the details, Sir, but I am only asking the hon. the Minister for Education to say what are the main and general principles under which the rules of promotion from the lower grade are departed from and direct recruitment is resorted to."

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" Where special circumstances and special qualifications exist, direct recruitment is resorted to."

Presidency College, Madras.

341 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state why in the Presidency College, Madras, there is only one Professor for each of the subjects of Sanskrit and Philosophy while there are more than one for the other subjects ?

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A.—It is not the case that every subject other than Sanskrit and Philosophy has more than one Professor. The number of Professors in each subject varies according to the nature and extent of the syllabus to be covered and also the number of pupils taking up the subject.

Vice-Principalship in certain Second-grade Colleges.

342 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state why there is no Vice-Principalship in the Madras Educational Service in the Government Second-grade Colleges of Coimbatore, Tellicherry and Mangalore while there is one in the Government Victoria College, Palghat?

A.—There is no Vice-Principalship in the Government Victoria College, Palghat, or in any Government Arts College.

History Lecturership in the Ceded Districts College, Anantapur.

343 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state the special reason why an acting Assistant Professor on Rs. 125 was promoted to the Madras Educational Service Lecturership in History in the Ceded Districts College, Anantapur, superseding several of his seniors in the higher grades, including some who had acted in the Provincial Service?

A.—The promotion was made in accordance with the policy laid down in G.O. No. 658, Public, dated 15th August 1922.

Philosophy Lecturership in the Arts College, Rajahmundry.

344 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state why in August 1922 the Madras Educational Service Lecturership in Philosophy in the Rajahmundry Arts College was filled up by an outsider with very little lecturing experience in a First-grade College to the detriment of the claims of experienced senior officers in the Subordinate Service, Collegiate Branch?

A.—M.R.Ry. J. Satyanarayanamurti Pantulu was appointed Lecturer in Philosophy in the Rajahmundry Arts College in August 1922 having regard to his qualifications for the post. The claims of officers in the Subordinate Educational Service received due consideration.

Lecturership in English in the Government College, Kumbakonam.

345 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state why, in July 1922, the Lecturership in English in the Government College, Kumbakonam, was filled up by an outsider superseding the claims of members of the Subordinate Service who had acted in the Madras Educational Service and even drawn increments in that service?

A.—The appointment was made in December 1922 in accordance with the policy laid down in G.O. No. 658, Public, dated 15th August 1922.